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## I. Historic Cemetery Main Form

Historic Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Common Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

County: \_\_\_\_\_ Proximity to Town: ☐ Within town limits ☐ Within 1 mile ☐ 1-5 miles ☐ 5 or more miles

Directions to cemetery from nearest town: \_\_\_\_\_

Township/Range/Section: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Quadrangle Sheet (USGS) \_\_\_\_\_

GPS Coordinates: Latitude \_\_\_\_\_ Longitude \_\_\_\_\_

Tax Map (if available): \_\_\_\_\_

Historic Atlas of Alabama: Volume 2, Cemetery Locations by County Number (available from AHC): \_\_\_\_\_

Deed Reference (If known, provide deed information (volume, page, signing date) as to the ownership of the land from which the cemetery was set aside.) \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Person filling out form: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### Complete all sections; write N/A if a section does not apply

1. Dates of burials: Oldest \_\_\_\_\_ Most recent: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Approximate number of marked graves: \_\_\_\_\_ unmarked graves: \_\_\_\_\_
3. Threats to cemetery: \_\_\_\_\_
4. Does a burial listing exist? ☐ Yes (location: \_\_\_\_\_) ☐ No ☐ Unknown
5. Cemetery Access: ☐ Public access ☐ Private property
6. Primary Access: ☐ Walk ☐ Drive Distance from nearest road: \_\_\_\_\_
7. Is the cemetery still active? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown
8. Type:  
☐ Community ☐ Family ☐ Hospital ☐ Memorial Park ☐ Military ☐ Municipal ☐ Pet ☐ Potter's Field  
☐ Prison ☐ Religious ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_
9. Condition (all that apply):  
☐ Maintained ☐ Not maintained ☐ Partially maintained ☐ Neglected/Forgotten ☐ Overgrown  
☐ Trash/Dumping Ground ☐ Evidence of vandalism  
☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_
10. Size: ☐ City Lot ☐ Less than 1 acre ☐ 1 to 10 acres ☐ 10 to 50 acres ☐ More than 50 acres
11. Setting: ☐ Rural-Undisturbed ☐ Rural-Developed ☐ Small town ☐ Urban ☐ Suburban
12. Perimeter: ☐ Fence (type: \_\_\_\_\_) ☐ Wall ☐ Vegetation ☐ Road(s) ☐ Vacant Land  
☐ Buildings ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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## 13. Evidence of Segregation or Grouping by:

- ☐ Race   ☐ Religion   ☐ Family   ☐ Military   ☐ Occupation   ☐ Fraternal organization   ☐ Socio-economics  
☐ Gender   ☐ None   ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

## 14. Orientation of Graves:

- ☐ East-West   ☐ North-South   ☐ Toward central monument   ☐ Toward a river   ☐ Toward road  
☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

## 15. Marker Types (check all that apply):

- |   |                                     |                                    |                                       |
|---|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> above-ground tomb      | <input type="checkbox"/> box tomb   | <input type="checkbox"/> column    | <input type="checkbox"/> comb grave   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> coping/curbing/cradles | <input type="checkbox"/> foot stone | <input type="checkbox"/> headstone | <input type="checkbox"/> ledger stone |
| <input type="checkbox"/> obelisk                | <input type="checkbox"/> rock cairn | <input type="checkbox"/> statuary  | <input type="checkbox"/> tablet stone |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____           |                                     |                                    |                                       |

## 16. Veterans Gravestones:

- ☐ American Revolutionary War   ☐ War of 1812   ☐ Civil War (Union)   ☐ Civil War (Confederate);  
☐ Spanish American War   ☐ World War I   ☐ World War II   ☐ Korean War   ☐ Vietnam War  
☐ Operation Desert Storm   ☐ Operation Enduring Freedom   ☐ Operation Iraqi Freedom   ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

## 17. Marker Designs (check all that apply):

- |   |  |   |  |
|---|--|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> All-seeing Eye | <input type="checkbox"/> Anchor              | <input type="checkbox"/> Angel              | <input type="checkbox"/> Bible                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cross          | <input type="checkbox"/> Draped Urn          | <input type="checkbox"/> Hand reaching down | <input type="checkbox"/> Hand with finger point up |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Heart          | <input type="checkbox"/> Lamb                | <input type="checkbox"/> Masonic            | <input type="checkbox"/> Menorah                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sleeping Child | <input type="checkbox"/> Star/ Star of David | <input type="checkbox"/> Weeping Willow     | <input type="checkbox"/> Flower Motifs             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____   |  |   |  |

## 18. Grave Articles:

- |                                     |  |  |   |
|-------------------------------------|--|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> bedsteads  | <input type="checkbox"/> bottles                   | <input type="checkbox"/> ceramic objects   | <input type="checkbox"/> clocks           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> dolls/toys | <input type="checkbox"/> flowers/plastic flowers   | <input type="checkbox"/> flower pots/vases | <input type="checkbox"/> jars             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> lamps      | <input type="checkbox"/> light bulbs               | <input type="checkbox"/> marbles           | <input type="checkbox"/> medicine bottles |
| <input type="checkbox"/> pinwheels  | <input type="checkbox"/> milk jugs/plastic bottles | <input type="checkbox"/> plates            | <input type="checkbox"/> sea shells       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> none       | <input type="checkbox"/> other: _____              |  |   |

## 19. Associated Historic Buildings/Communities/Neighborhoods: \_\_\_\_\_

## 20. Landscape Features:

- ☐ casual and unplanned   ☐ designed plantings   ☐ designed drives and walks  
☐ designed fencing and walls   ☐ informal/ picturesque   ☐ terracing/contouring  
☐ other: \_\_\_\_\_

## 21. Ornamental Plantings/Historic Vegetation: \_\_\_\_\_

## 22. Additional Descriptions: \_\_\_\_\_



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## 2. Historic Cemetery Map Form

Name of Cemetery: \_\_\_\_\_  
Map \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_

**Map Option 1:** Sketch a map of the cemetery. This can be a general overview map OR a detailed map of every burial. Label roads and other features. Draw an arrow indicating north. See reverse side for the most popular symbols if drawing each individual burial.


**Map Option 2:** Attach a portion of a county map, USGS map, or other map with the precise location of the cemetery clearly marked.

This image shows a full page of dot grid paper. The background is white, and it is covered with a regular pattern of small, dark grey dots. The dots are arranged in straight horizontal and vertical lines, creating a grid-like appearance. There are no margins, text, or other markings on the page.

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The following are a list of symbols for the most popular marker types. If you must create a new symbol, please create a key with the symbol and what it represents.


Above Ground Tomb 

Box Tomb 


Comb Grave 

Headstone 

Ledger Stone 

Monument 


Rock Cairn 


Statuary 


Tablet Stone 

Foot Stone 


Missing Tablet Stone 

Missing Foot Stone 

Coping/Curbing/Cradle 

Column 

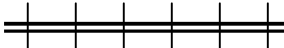
Obelisk 

Grave shelter 

Depression 

Mounded Grave 

Flush Stone 

Fence Wall 

Tree 

Military Veteran 



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## 3. Historic Significance Cemetery Survey Form

Name of Cemetery: \_\_\_\_\_

### HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

1. The cemetery derives its importance from: (check all that apply)

- |   |  |   |
|---|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Important Person(s) buried on site | <input type="checkbox"/> Stone Carver          | <input type="checkbox"/> Monument Manufacturer                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Designer/Architect       | <input type="checkbox"/> Military Significance | <input type="checkbox"/> Unique Burial Practices              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Unique Grave Markers               | <input type="checkbox"/> Historical Event      | <input type="checkbox"/> Significant Broad Pattern in History |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Significant Church                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Significant Community | <input type="checkbox"/> Significant Family                   |

2. In a narrative statement, provide a brief history of the cemetery. Include any biographical/genealogical information about persons buried there or any relevant history on a church, community, etc. nearby. Attach additional sheets/documentation if necessary. Burial listings will be accepted.

3. Dates of Significance (first burial, burial of significant person/family, date of last burial, etc):

4. Bibliographical Sources:



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## 4. Historic Cemetery Object Form

Fill out one object form for each burial in the cemetery OR fill out a few forms for significant grave markers.

Name of Cemetery: \_\_\_\_\_ Object Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### Head of Object:

#### 1. Type of object at head:

- ☐ column
- ☐ headstone
- ☐ obelisk
- ☐ statuary
- ☐ tablet stone
- ☐ none
- ☐ other: \_\_\_\_\_

#### 2. Materials:

- ☐ brick
- ☐ concrete
- ☐ field stone
- ☐ granite
- ☐ limestone
- ☐ marble
- ☐ pottery
- ☐ white bronze (zinc)
- ☐ wood
- ☐ wrought/cast iron
- ☐ other: \_\_\_\_\_

#### 3. Condition:

- ☐ sound
- ☐ chipped
- ☐ cracked/broken
- ☐ crumbled/eroded
- ☐ tilted
- ☐ fallen
- ☐ plant growth
- ☐ other: \_\_\_\_\_

#### 4. Measurements:

Height \_\_\_\_\_  
Width \_\_\_\_\_  
Depth \_\_\_\_\_

#### 5. Previous Repairs to Object:

- ☐ repairs made with cement
- ☐ exterior iron bars added
- ☐ none
- ☐ other: \_\_\_\_\_

### Body of Object:

#### 7. Type of object at body:

- ☐ above-ground tomb
- ☐ box tomb
- ☐ comb grave
- ☐ cradle
- ☐ ledger stone
- ☐ none
- ☐ other: \_\_\_\_\_

#### 8. Materials:

- ☐ brick
- ☐ concrete
- ☐ field stone
- ☐ granite
- ☐ limestone
- ☐ marble
- ☐ pottery
- ☐ white bronze (zinc)
- ☐ wood
- ☐ wrought/cast iron
- ☐ other: \_\_\_\_\_

#### 9. Condition:

- ☐ sound
- ☐ chipped
- ☐ cracked/broken
- ☐ crumbled/eroded
- ☐ tilted
- ☐ fallen
- ☐ plant growth
- ☐ other: \_\_\_\_\_

#### 10. Measurement:

Height \_\_\_\_\_  
Width \_\_\_\_\_  
Depth \_\_\_\_\_

#### 11. Previous Repairs to Object:

- ☐ repairs made with cement
- ☐ exterior iron bars added
- ☐ none
- ☐ other: \_\_\_\_\_

### Foot/Base of Object:

#### 13. Type of object at foot/base:

- ☐ base
- ☐ column
- ☐ foot stone
- ☐ obelisk
- ☐ statuary
- ☐ none
- ☐ other: \_\_\_\_\_

#### 14. Materials:

- ☐ brick
- ☐ concrete
- ☐ field stone
- ☐ granite
- ☐ limestone
- ☐ marble
- ☐ pottery
- ☐ white bronze (zinc)
- ☐ wood
- ☐ wrought/cast iron
- ☐ other: \_\_\_\_\_

#### 15. Condition:

- ☐ sound
- ☐ chipped
- ☐ cracked/broken
- ☐ crumbled/eroded
- ☐ tilted
- ☐ fallen
- ☐ plant growth
- ☐ other: \_\_\_\_\_

#### 16. Measurement:

Height \_\_\_\_\_  
Width \_\_\_\_\_  
Depth \_\_\_\_\_

#### 17. Previous Repairs to Object:

- ☐ repairs made with cement
- ☐ exterior iron bars added
- ☐ none
- ☐ other: \_\_\_\_\_

### For Official Use Only

AHC Cemetery Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Not for Publication

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### Head of Object:

#### 6. Inscription:

Condition of text:

- ☐ mint
- ☐ clear, but worn
- ☐ mostly legible
- ☐ traces only
- ☐ illegible/destroyed
- ☐ underground

#### Transcribe all Text::

(Exactly as it appears on marker)

### Body of Object:

#### 12. Inscription:

Condition of text:

- ☐ mint
- ☐ clear, but worn
- ☐ mostly legible
- ☐ traces only
- ☐ illegible/destroyed
- ☐ underground

#### Transcribe all Text::

(Exactly as it appears on marker)

### Foot of Object:

#### 18. Inscription:

Condition of text:

- ☐ mint
- ☐ clear, but worn
- ☐ mostly legible
- ☐ traces only
- ☐ illegible/destroyed
- ☐ underground

#### Transcribe all Text:

(Exactly as it appears on marker)

### *Additional Description*

19. Signature of Stone Carvers/Marker Manufacturer (Specify name, town if available): \_\_\_\_\_

#### 20. Marker Designs

- |   |  |   |  |
|---|--|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> All-seeing Eye | <input type="checkbox"/> Anchor              | <input type="checkbox"/> Angel              | <input type="checkbox"/> Bible                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cross          | <input type="checkbox"/> Draped Urn          | <input type="checkbox"/> Hand reaching down | <input type="checkbox"/> Hand with finger point up |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Heart          | <input type="checkbox"/> Lamb                | <input type="checkbox"/> Masonic            | <input type="checkbox"/> Menorah                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sleeping Child | <input type="checkbox"/> Star/ Star of David | <input type="checkbox"/> Weeping Willow     |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____   |  |   |  |

#### 21. Grave Articles:

- |                                     |  |  |   |
|-------------------------------------|--|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> bedsteads  | <input type="checkbox"/> bottles                 | <input type="checkbox"/> ceramic objects   | <input type="checkbox"/> clocks           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> dolls/toys | <input type="checkbox"/> flowers/plastic flowers | <input type="checkbox"/> flower pots/vases | <input type="checkbox"/> jars             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> lamps      | <input type="checkbox"/> light bulbs             | <input type="checkbox"/> marbles           | <input type="checkbox"/> medicine bottles |
| <input type="checkbox"/> pinwheels  | <input type="checkbox"/> plastic bottles         | <input type="checkbox"/> plates            | <input type="checkbox"/> sea shells       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> none       | <input type="checkbox"/> other: _____            |  |   |

22. Placement of Articles: \_\_\_\_\_

23. Additional Information/Description:



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## 5. Historic Cemetery Group Form

Fill out a group form for every *visually distinct* grouping of graves in the cemetery (i.e. family plot, military/religious/ethnic section)

Name of Cemetery: \_\_\_\_\_ Group Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Person filling out form: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

1. Burials Grouped by:

☐ Race ☐ Religion ☐ Family ☐ Military ☐ Occupation ☐ Fraternal Organization ☐ Socio-economics  
☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Grouping Indicated by: ☐ Curbing ☐ Fence ☐ Distinctive Markers ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Enclosure Description: \_\_\_\_\_

4. Marker Types:

<input type="checkbox"/> above-ground tomb	<input type="checkbox"/> box tomb	<input type="checkbox"/> column	<input type="checkbox"/> comb grave
<input type="checkbox"/> coping/curbing/cradles	<input type="checkbox"/> foot stone	<input type="checkbox"/> headstone	<input type="checkbox"/> ledger stone
<input type="checkbox"/> obelisk	<input type="checkbox"/> rock cairn	<input type="checkbox"/> statuary	<input type="checkbox"/> tablet stone
<input type="checkbox"/> other: _____			

5. Marker Materials:

<input type="checkbox"/> brick	<input type="checkbox"/> concrete	<input type="checkbox"/> field stone	<input type="checkbox"/> granite
<input type="checkbox"/> limestone	<input type="checkbox"/> marble	<input type="checkbox"/> pottery	<input type="checkbox"/> sandstone
<input type="checkbox"/> slate	<input type="checkbox"/> white bronze (zinc)	<input type="checkbox"/> wood	<input type="checkbox"/> wrought/cast iron
<input type="checkbox"/> other: _____			

6. Marker Designs:

<input type="checkbox"/> All-seeing Eye	<input type="checkbox"/> Anchor	<input type="checkbox"/> Angel	<input type="checkbox"/> Bible
<input type="checkbox"/> Cross	<input type="checkbox"/> Draped Urn	<input type="checkbox"/> Hand reaching down	
<input type="checkbox"/> Hand w/finger pointed up	<input type="checkbox"/> Heart	<input type="checkbox"/> Lamb	<input type="checkbox"/> Masonic
<input type="checkbox"/> Menorah	<input type="checkbox"/> Sleeping Child	<input type="checkbox"/> Star/ Star of David	<input type="checkbox"/> Weeping Willow
<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____			

7. Grave Articles:

<input type="checkbox"/> bedsteads	<input type="checkbox"/> bottles	<input type="checkbox"/> ceramic objects	<input type="checkbox"/> clocks
<input type="checkbox"/> dolls/toys	<input type="checkbox"/> flowers/plastic flowers	<input type="checkbox"/> flower pots/vases	<input type="checkbox"/> jars
<input type="checkbox"/> lamps	<input type="checkbox"/> light bulbs	<input type="checkbox"/> marbles	<input type="checkbox"/> medicine bottles
<input type="checkbox"/> pinwheels	<input type="checkbox"/> milk jugs/plastic bottles	<input type="checkbox"/> plates	<input type="checkbox"/> sea shells
<input type="checkbox"/> none	<input type="checkbox"/> other: _____		

8. Placement of Articles: \_\_\_\_\_

9. Ornamental Plantings/Historic Vegetation: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Description: \_\_\_\_\_



# Historic Cemetery Group Survey Form—Page 2

Sketch a map of the visually distinct grouping of burials. Label roads and other features. Draw an arrow indicating north. See back of Map Form for the most popular symbols.

A large rectangular area filled with a grid of small dots, intended for sketching a map of a cemetery group. The dots are arranged in a uniform grid pattern, providing a guide for drawing and labeling features like roads and burials.